

REMARKS

THE CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 is amended to recite a post-exposure bake temperature of less than about 70°C. Support for this amendment is found in the specification at *inter alia*, paragraphs 0012, 0159, 0180 (Example 13), and Figure 3.

ANTICIPATION REJECTION OVER ZAMPINI ET AL.

Claims 1-19 and 21-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Zampini et al. (US Pub. No. 2003/0027077 A1). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As noted by the Examiner at page 4 of the Office Action, paragraph 0106 of Zampini et al. teaches a post-exposure baking temperature of about 70°C to about 160°C. Because Zampini et al. does not teach or suggest a post-exposure bake temperature of less than about 70°C, it follows that Zampini et al. does not anticipate or render obvious the claimed invention. In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

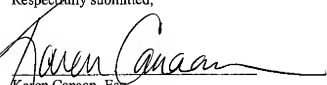
CONCLUSION

With this paper, each of the Examiner's rejections have been fully addressed and overcome. Because there will be no outstanding issues for this matter upon entry of this paper, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of all claim rejections and passage of this application to issue.

Any questions regarding this paper or the application in general may be addressed to the undersigned attorney at 650-251-7713 or kcanaan@mintz.com.

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